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To enjoy Christmas fully we should not only lend ourselves to making others happy, but should become conscious of the gift which money cannot buy that is ours through the revelations and inspiration of Christ's

The star of Bethlehem guided the wise men of the east to the place where the Saviour lay; and from that day a star of hope has shone into the most squalld homes, for He who was oen in a stable and glorified even erty. He who was the shepherd of the sheep, would not have one go astray, but extended His mercy and love to all. He asked nothing of the world but right living, pure thinking and loyalty to the principles which would make of all men sons of God. And what is the price of His pres-

his Heavenly Father is to be kind to class of goods requiring skilled work-some of His other children"? Oh, this men, and a force in the betterment of old world is slow in learning this the world."

Love is unselfish, it knows not enno evil, but is gentlenessand this gentleness invites God.

This raiment of Love was the Sav-iour's gift to the humblest human soul: and how man has striven to divide the raiment, and sects have tried to claim exclusive rights in it; but no men on earth can be robbed of this raiment for it will come to him, desirable and self-exulting scheme. as the sunlight comes to energize the earth, the moment his heart is open ACTIVE, BUT NO LONGER SPEC-

What money cannot buy, the purin heart can make their own without money and without price. What is better for contemplation to-

day than this beautiful carol from The Catholic Standard and Times: There was a star whose light,

Mystical and holy. Shope through the quiet night O'er a stable lowly. Sing praise to God on high! And rejoice that He Thus should beatify Humble poverty.

A Merrie Christmas, gentlefolk! And may your wealth and pride Be mindful of the humble ones This blessed Christmas tide.

There was a Little Child, Innocent and holy, Born of the Virgin mild In that stable lowly Bing praise to God, who gave

Unto you and me Such gift our souls to save! Of the charity!

A Merrio Christmas, gentlefolk! And may your wealth and pride Be mindful of the humble ones This blessed Christmas tide,

The men who are sailing overhead in New England of nights now are making the whole world sit up and take notice. They have the Wrights wondering and worrying.

The old fire department used to hang up its stockings, but that was in days gone by. May it ever share the aweetness of our disposition, and be as merry as it can.

We hope that every member of The Bulletin's large family will have a merry Christmas; and we also invite all creation to join us, prohibitionists not excepted.

An eleven-year-old Ohio miss rises at 5 in the morning, milks four cows cut off in this same way. and washes all the milk pails, being ready to begin her day's work at 7

man who can make a deal of wise the state is all right." \$2,500,000 cannot get any more despre out of Christmas than you if you just set about it with

OUR ANNUAL SACRIFICE.

This is the title of a pamphlet just saued in Boston to awaken the peo ple to the fearful sacrifice of life made in commemoration of Independence day. If men were as slow to wrath

Only 274 was the toll paid for York-

Public fireworks exhibitions, controlled by persons who know the proper use of explosives, are in harmony with the spirit of the event. But who would say that the toll of death and injury paid for Folly's Fourth of July is a worthy tribute to those whose memory we honor?

"When barbarous methods of observing the Fourth have been abandoned then will be opened the way for a commemoration in which may be utilized electricity, the wizard whose lin and whose awful magnificence is docile even to the touch of a child."

ANOTHER SIGN OF BETTER TIMES.

In its hard times this country has not been alone. According to the minister of finance of Canada, that country ran behind eleven millions last she pretends not to know it, too. complete revival of business. This is good news in America, for Canada is a liberal patron of this country and money shortage there means less business here and more business adds to our profits and pleasures as well as to theirs. The two countries are so closely allied and their interests so often run counter that we cannot afford to have any tiffs. May the neigh-borly spirit and good policies of trade which have always characterized our relations continue in force for ages

When Boston gets a vision of "the greater Hartford," eastern Connecticut has reason to become deeply interest-ed. The plan for making the capitol of this state the peer of the first cities

greatest thing a man can do for nation in the manufacture of that

The Boston Transcript, commenting upon this, says that "the engineering vy-yearns not for fame—is filled with difficulties are by no means serious, charity, is not easily provoked, for it yet it will probably be many years before Hartford will attain her half-

million." Of course. Hartford realizes that such a good vision as this takes time as well as millions, but if her spirit of progress is geared high she may minute toward the attainment of this

TACULAR.

The Maine state grange has just held its annual meeting and the reports disclosed that there are 433 granges in that state and that eight new ones had been organized the past year. As the boys say: "That's go

But the grangers are making less noise than they once did and apparently more progress. There are 56,230 grangers in good standing in Maine, and quite likely 250,000 more in the six New England states. The grangers are a force which has to be considered when any important public matter is on foot. As an exchange remarks: "The grange and the Pomona are the two centers of social commingling in many a New England inland town, and they undoubtedly make for 'uplift.' Probably the grangers are today more effective for the advancement of farming interests than n the era of their more spectacular influence of legislation. Nevertheless the rural politicians find the Patrons

appearing in print,

to say against Santa Claus. He is ite.

The children make things lively this morning, and we all like to live the fact that in his younger days he over with them the days of yore.

In the name of the people, The Bulletin wishes Mayor Lippitt and all the members of the city government a very

The boll weevils have been killed by frost. What a pity that the hounders of honest men cannot be suddenly

added this year to the state of Ohio, a western paper explains that "other-

The impartial American examiners are now inclined to punish Admiral Schley for his hopest opinions. How crease the pleasure of the children.

THE MAN WHO TALKS

day. If men were as slow to wrath as they be to reform, the fierce side of the struggle of life would be very much improved. The Boston Globe, speaking of this pamphlet says:

"The startling facts which were compiled for the '1915' movement by Dr. Scannell of the school board, are a terrific indictment of the fathers and mothers of America for their carelessness in permitting their children to handle dangerous freworks. Do these fathers and mothers realize that the killed and injured at the battle of Bunker Hill were only 1,474, as compared with 1,622 killed and injured while 'celebrating' the Fourth of July in 1309?

Only 274 was the tell paid for Torkus to get into the light rather than into the darkness.

Only 274 was the toll paid for Torktown and independence; only 258 in
the combat where the immortal watchword of Lawrence—'Don't give up the
ship'—was first heard; only 335 on
that day when was fired the shot heard
around the world.

"Those were occasions of real patriotism. The follies of the Fourth are
the result of a sham patriotism or a
disordered imagination, which would
lower Lexington and Concord to the
level of a brutal orgy.

"Besides, the loss caused by fires
July 4, 1969, as a result of so-called
patriotic celebrations, was \$446,500.

"Wortkily to commemorate the
achievements of our ancestors or our
brothers is not only a duty, but a joy.
Public fireworks exhibitions, controlled
by persons who know the proper use
of explosives, are in harmony with the
spirit of the exent. But who ground
This will be to a great many people
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The managers of the moving picture houses have a very polite way of inviting the women to remove their hats; and the well bred women present usually have these obstructions in their laps before the hint is given; and those who come in late obey the rule without delay; but still many women do not take the hint, or profit by the good example of others. They do not seem to realize just how impolite it is to violate the rules of an amusement house, or how they are marked down in the minds of auditors who are robbed of a good part of the entertainment by their obstructions and obstrepercousness. They are willful women, of course, and what a time their mates must have with them. A balky horse in the barn is bad enough, but a balky woman in the house makes life's road a hard road to travel, and she pretends not to know it, too. The managers of the moving picture

I do not know, but the man who gets his political or religious views on trust, as many a shiftless man gets his goods, finds pleasure in it; but there is satisfaction in being able to tell why we believe that one thing is right and another wrong. Too many people affirm their beliefs as if they were a perfect work. Belief is the half-way house on the road to knowing, and it is no loitering point for a man to say nothing of a son of God. The point of belief is where examination begins and the truth is established. Believing a truth is not mastering it and letting it master us. This is what truth is for—to conquer and to purge man of error. When it is only believed in it doesn't gather force enough to do the purging. Belief is a balker—knowing is mastery. I do not know, but the man wh

It may be "more blessed to give than to receive," but that has not be-come the spirit of any are, yet; and while it is spoken of as the spirit of And what is the price of His presence to you and me? It is not with that He dwells. He does not answer to the call of the potentate, or bow before the mighty, or strive to please the influential—on nation, or sect, or cult, can claim Him, for where Love is God is, and that is His permanent abode.

As Henry Drummond puts it, "the greatest thing in the world is love," but the world has not yet come to realize it, for if it had the price of peace would not be preparedness for war. Have you and I learned that the leading city of the more fleating in the greatest thing a man can do for mation is ever spoken of. To know a hus-while it is spoken of as the spirit of christmas it is far from being the mode that the boy who joins five Sunday should leave and take their freight from the factory doors, with an abundant supply of water and land enough with-in walking distance for the employes.

The engineer avers that nowhere to greate thing in the world is love," but the world has not yet come to realize it, for if it had the price of peace would not be preparedness for war. Have you and I learned that "the greatest thing a man can do for mation is ever spoken of. To know a hus-while it is spoken of as the spirit of the human heart. We know that the boy who joins five Sunday schole freight from the factory doors, with an abundant supply of water and land enough with-in with an abundant supply of water and land enough with-in with an abundant supply of water and land enough with-in with the boy who joins five Sunday schole file are getters. The millionaires of life are getters; and where the sale was greater to be in at the Christmas trees is a getter. The millionaires of life are getters, and where the sale was the boy who joins five Sunday schole for the wind where sale with the boy who joins five Sunday schole for the wind where sale with the boy who joins five Sunday schole for the world was and take their freight from that the boy who joins five Sunday was the the boy who joins five Sunday was the the world was a teste

Good advice comes to us in many forms. The eccentric who said: "Stick to your tin whistle until you can buy a horn!" expressed in a humorous way the underlying principle of all economies. This is an orderly world of ours, and those who abide by the rules of order usually succeed. It is disorder that ruins business and wrecks governments. A new horn on tick is a debt; and if we do not make repute for honoring our credit we have no credit. Credit rests better on a cash hasis than on a promise to pay. The credit. Credit rests better on a cash hasis than on a promise to pay. The payer is the real thing, although the good promiser is honored and gets on in the world. It is when a man promises too much that he is done for. In marriage or trade the good promiser is popular for awhile, but the good payer wins permanent honors. This is why we should "stick to the tin whistle until we can buy a horn!"

of Husbandry worthy of observation, and keep their ears to the ground about the grange halls."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Everything good comes to boyhood on a slow freight; but to age it comes along by express.

There is no denying the fact that Chancellor Day has a real passion for appearing in print.

You all know the woman who says:

"Oh. I know my husband just like a book," and this statement is usually very much doubted because it is regarded as as unusual accomplishment. It is, and perhaps some other woman may envy her ability; but the claim is never made that this knowledge is valuable or satisfactory. There is such a fining as knowing a mate too well. It is always just as well for a pair to be blind to one another's faults and not to be too observant of one

The democrats never have anything that adds to the glory of their favor-

THE BULLETIN'S DAILY STORY

(Written for The Bulletin.)

"Tis the night before Christmas!" and while waiting for Santa Claus and his reinder to come driving down our chimney—hark! even now I hear the cistering of hoofs and the tinkle tinkle of little sliver belis on my next door neishbor's roof.— while waiting, I say, I find myself listening to the music of Christmas memories sing ing in my heart. Tender memories and it was a stranger in a strange land. It is to muse thild of three, used to hang my long, small stocking by the open hearth, between those of my two brothers, and lay me down to sleep in simple faith that Santa Claus would surely come, that he would find them all, and fill them full to overflowing. Of course we tried to skeep awake. We used to take turns at watching, and my boys—as I know now, having brought up sons of my own. Tremendously big and grown-up they little boys—as I know now, having when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me then, sons of giants when bent upon teasing their long-self to me the self to the chimney-side. Such heavy stockings we want to me the self to the chimney-side. Such heavy stockings have been done of the reinder of bare feet to scapp hard, bumpety, wondered and three pair of bare feet to scapp hard, bumpety, wondered and the pair of bare feet to scapp hard, bumpety, wondered to the chimney-side. Such heavy stockings and through the long cold winter mistry down the self to the chimney-side. Such heavy stockings and the self to the chimney-side with reasonal for the pair of bare feet to scapp hard to the self to the chimney-side. Such heavy

bulgy too, with hard, bumpety, wonderful things poking out in rounds and squares and triangles and other sort of shapes. Santa Claus' wife—did you know he had a wife?—would thoughtfully leave a togsted muffin or a cookie or two near the top, and I can see my two brothers now, biting into muffin, the muffin a half moon between their teeth, their mouths quite hidden by muffin, while their impatient hands dove deeper and deeper into the stocking legs angl rose again to view, filled with treasures rich and rare, beyond compare, Away down in the heel or the toe, each one of us never failed to find a shining silver coin.

Many a happy Christmas has been mine since those merry days. Year by year of a most tenderly cherished childhood, of a brilliant, beautiful girlhood, the Christmas Eves and Christmas and pays are memorable for their joyous family reunions, the kindly gifts, for the sleigh-bells ringing, the north wind blowing, the hearth fires blezing, for young voices singing and youthful feet dancing to the tune of first Christmas Eves of new bright life, Santa Claus filled the baby sock hung to the arm of a boy's high-chair. There followed Christmas days in other lands, with the organ roil of Christmas music in the great cathedrals of many music in the great cathedral

another's eccentricities. A concelt of this kind is cheaper than it seems, and a source of more worriment than is ever spoken of. To know a hus-band well is all right; but it is not necessary to know all the dashes and explanation points that are in him.

be so anxious to see their poor friends were remembered that they would forget their own selfish desires. It may be more blessed to give than to receive; but the world is not seeking blessings in this way.

Good advice comes to us in many forms. The eccentric who said: "Stick to your tin whistle until you can buy a horn!" expressed in a humorous way the underlying principle of all economies. The eccentric way is a horn!" expressed in a humorous way the underlying principle of all economies.

SUNDAY MORNING TALK

THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS.

when the great founder of Christianity was himself a child."

It is always just as well for a pair to be abind to one another's faults and not to be too observant of one that adds to the glory of their favorite.

One reason Senator Beveridge is such a great talker is attributed to the fact that in his younger days he was, a successful book agent.

It is not probable that Zelaya is having a merry Christmas; but he feels safer now that he has put up a substitute and is free to flee.

The man who alleges that large ears are a sign of dissipation must be trying to turn public attention from the ruby nose as an indicator.

Happy thought for today: Every heart cannot be merry today, but all heart cannot be merry today, but all heart cannot be grateful for blessings of which they are truly conscious.

The importation of toys for this year amounts to seven and a half millions. We put out our wealth to increase the pleasure of the children.

mankind. The reality of his earthly existence is the heart of the Christmas celebration now going forward throughout the civilized world, and if

deep and vital too.

Off. then, with the wrappings of Christmas. Pierce through the things that have grown up around the holy festival to its very heart.

Rise, happy morn, rise, holy morn, Draw forth the eastern day from Draw forth the eastern day from night, Oh, Father, touch the world and The light that shone when Christ was THE PARSON.

POPULARLY SUPPOSED. Animals Not So Sleepy in Winters as Popuarly Supposed.

of an article on hibernation makes several mistakes in his statements. For instance, he writes, "the brown several mistakes in his statements. For instance, he writes, "the brown bear, still fairly common in our state," etc. The fact is that the brown bear is not to be found east of the Mississippi, unless tame ones, or an occasional spot from the black. In handling 5,000 or 6,000 bear skins taken in Maine and the provinces, I have seen but three which differed from the common black bear. These resembled the so-called cinnamon as much as

The Heart of Christmas, the substitution of the street of his apprentices for the MD.'s, one of the server and all deep rescription is all Greek to us, and sentence the dector before the link it may be to the dector before the link has been long dry; but the prescription it is all Greek to us, and sent may be all the same and the provinces, I have send the link it may be to the dector before the link has been long dry; but the prescription is all Greek to us, and sent may be all the same and the provinces, I have send the link it may be to the dector send him. He is a decreased the link is a send for a link it may be to the dector send him. He is a consensual fail to piece through them to the reality. When the words are the link is accessed the link is a send for a link it may be to the dector send him. He is a consensual fail to link the link it may be to the dector send him. He is a consensual fail to link the link is

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In 1861 I saw a bear taken from a den March 29. She had two cubs about as large as half-grown cats. I held one of the cubs in my arms the night after it was taken and it went to sleep trying to nurse my ear. This bear was fat, in spite of having nursed two cubs some two months. I examined her inside and stretched the skin and she was fat. Bears have taken cubs in January, usually as early as the middle of the month. Bears vary in the time in going to den, the time being governed a good deal by the food supply. I have known of a year when there were no nuts or berries, when I received letters from all over eastern Maine and various parts of the provinces that all the bears went to den in October and I have known of years when nuts were plenity and the esason held off too late, when they stayed out until lafe in December.

Occasionally one which has been disturbed from his first den will stay out occasionally one which has been disturbed from his first den will stay out all winter, making temporary dens a few nights at a time. In such cases they grow poor, but never that I have seen when regularly denned.—M. Hardy, in The Mains Sportsman.

No Divorce for Scolding.

According to a Missouri judge, a wife has a right to scold her husband, and that the exercise of that right is no ground for divorce. The full opinion of the court is not at hand, but a layman, if he is a married man, knows well that the court's decision is based on a law that is higher, by precedent and practice, than any mere legislative enactment. It is backed by both ethics and reason, and will prevail, regardless of support or the lack of it, from the bench—and there's no shadow of contempt of court in this asertion. Of course the Woman with the Serpent's Tongue is not figured in this consideration of the subject. She deserves all she gets, even from the poets.

Poets.

Fair play is a jewel, and in the interest of fair play the wife should be permitted to give tit for tat—and goodness knows the man who gives the provocation should be willing to grant her that privilege.

What the details of the domestic ruc-

What the details of the domestic rucdon back of this Missouri divorce case
may be, we have no means of knowing,
but it is fair to assume that the Missouri judge, who insited on being
"shown," found ample provocation for
the wife's scolding, and rightly allowed her to keep it up. Everybody
knows that right here in Connecticut
where divorces come easy, no judge
would give a man a divorce because
his wife scolded. In nine cases out of
ten, the wife who scolds has good reason for doing it, and in like proportion
doubtless the wife who doesn't scold
has no less cause but doesn't dure.—
Hartford Post.

Mexico Is Timid.

Senor Enrique Creel of Mexico, for-mer ambassador to this country, who has come here to help settle the Nica-raguan trouble, has a delicate task of raguan trouble, has a delicate task on his hands. His government would like to co-operate with the United States in peacefully smoothing out all the Central American difficulties. But the Mexicans and the Mexican government are not disposed to jump on the prostrate form of Zelaya too hard. If the Central American trouble could be handled with soft gioves, that would suit Mexico to a dot. But Mexico cannot go along with the United States in this business of using marines, gunboats and soldiers, if need be. This is for the reason that Mexico public sentiment is jealous of any attempt of the United States to deal summarily with any of the Latin-American people.

The Yoletide apirit is not working overtime in some sections of the south. A day's news contains reports of suddent encountred by four negroes selected to play the leading role in a lynching. In two cases the victims were not charged with that "unspeakable offense." They were only accused of wounding white men, with whom they quarreled. Offending beasts of the field would receive greater consideration.

It Still Stands.

The epigram coined sixty days ago on the North Pole controversy: Cook

While discussing religious conditions in the northwestern section of the country in a recent meeting of the Methodist Preachers' association in Wesley hall on Arch street, the Rev. Dr. Edward Blake, assistant corresponding secretary of the Sunday school board of the Methodist church, took occasion to criticise his own physical "make-up," much to the enjoyment of the other ministers in attendance.

"While I was in the northwest," he While discussing religious condi-

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said, "I lived on the fat of the land which accounts for my present condi-

on."
Dr. Blake weighs about 125 pounds.
"I wasn't always as thin as I am now." he continued. "There was a time when I was as big as President Taft, but that was before he got his growth."

"There was a half-witted youth in Bridgetown to whom the neighboring farmers liked to offer a penny and a nickel.

nickel.

"Gathered about him in a circle on market day the farmers, one after another, would say:

"'Now which will yer have, Peter? Here's a cent—here's a nickel—take yer choice.'

"And fool Peter would invariably choose the cent rather than the nickel, and the farmers, before such incredible foolishness, would roar with laughter double in two and slap their legs

he foolishness, would roar with laughter double in two and siap their legs
noisily with their brown hands.

"Peter,' I said one day to the lunatic, 'why is it that you always take
the cent instead of the nickel?"

"Peter grinned a very cunning grin.

"Suppose I took the nickel,' said
he, 'would I ever get a chance to take
another one?"—Washington Post.

with any of the Latin-American people.

It is a case of blood being thicker than water, and the last time the Mexican government co-operated with this country in Central American troubles the Mexican officers had to keep explaining to the public for weeks that it was not countenancing any summary measures, or lending itself to the American "big stick" policy.

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